

In the Specification

On page 1, between lines 2 and 3, please insert the following paragraph:

**--Cross Reference**

Cross reference is made to copending U.S. patent application Serial No. 10/027,542, entitled "Door Latch Mechanism and Associated Components for a Self-Cleaning Oven" by Ronald E. Cole which is assigned to the same assignee as the present invention, and which was filed concurrently herewith on December 21, 2001.--

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